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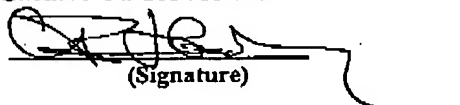
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 28, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: